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May 23, 2006 **Preferential Primary Election – Majority Vote Required**
(Deadline to apply to register to vote-April 24, 2006)

June 13, 2006 **General Primary Election (Runoff)**
(Deadline to apply to register to vote-May 15, 2006)

May 23, 2006 **Nonpartisan Judicial General Election**
 – Majority Vote Required
(Deadline to apply to register to vote-April 24, 2006)

November 07, 2006 **Nonpartisan Judicial Runoff Election**
(Deadline to apply to register to vote-October 9, 2006)

September 19, 2006 **Annual School Board Election**
 – Majority Vote Required
(Deadline to apply to register to voter-August 21, 2006)

November 07, 2006 **General Election**
November 07, 2006 **Nonpartisan Judicial Runoff Election**
(Deadline to apply to register to vote-October 9, 2006)

November 28, 2006 **General Election Runoff (county and municipal only)**
(Deadline to apply to register to vote- October 30, 2006)

*****Note: Deadlines to apply to register to vote have been listed as a business day.**

2006

SCHOOL ELECTIONS

JUNE 2006

06/21/2006 First day to circulate and file petitions for school election. 20 signatures required.
§ 6-14-111

☐ **90 days prior to annual school election.**

JULY 2006

07/21/2006 First day for county clerks to furnish applications on request for absentee ballots for school election. § 7-5-405 (a)(1)

☐ **60 days before the annual school election.**

AUGUST 2006

08/5/2006 Deadline for a candidate to file petitions of candidacy for the school election with the county clerk. § 6-14-111(b)

☐ **45 days before the annual school election.**

08/10/2006 Deadline for write-in candidates to notify county board of election commissioners of intent to be a candidate for the school election. §6-14-111(c)

☐ **40 days before the annual school election.**

08/11/2006 Deadline for county clerks to make available applications for absentee ballots for the school runoff election. §7-5-405

☐ **At least 60 days before runoff school election (10/10/06).**

08/19/2006* Deadline for county clerk to notify each candidate by mail of filing deadlines for pre-election and final reports and to send appropriate forms and instructions. §7-6-208

☐ **Within 14 days after deadline to file for office (8/5/06)*.**

08/20/2006* Deadline for county election commission to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the school election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ **30 days before annual school election.**

08/20/2006* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE SCHOOL ELECTION.

§6-14-108; 7-5-201(a) Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 51; NVRA;

☐ **30 days before annual school election.**

08/20/2006* Deadline for State Board of Education to distribute school election kits upon request to county board of election commissioners for the school. §6-14-108

☐ **30 days before annual school election.**

08/24/2006 Deadline for county clerk to notify each write-in candidate by mail of filing deadlines for pre-election and final reports and to send appropriate forms and instructions. §7-6-208(3)(A)

☐ **Within 14 days after deadline to file notice of intent to be a write-in.**

08/25/2006 Earliest date to place demonstration voting machines for the school election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ **25 days before annual school election.**

08/25/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to the county clerk for the school election. §7-5-407(a)

☐ **25 days before annual school election.**

08/30/2006 Deadline for school board to begin publication of notice for the school election. (Notice must be published in newspaper once a week for three weeks.) §6-14-109(b)

☐ **20 days before annual school election.**

08/30/2006 Deadline for county clerk to publish additional early voting sites if any. §7-5-418(b)(5)

☐ **20 days before school election (5 days before early voting begins).**

08/30/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials. §7-4-107(b)

☐ **20 days before annual school election.**

SEPTEMBER 2006

09/4/2006 First day for early voting for the school election §7-5-418

☐ **15 days before annual school election.**

09/4/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare, publish, and post list of election officials. §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ **15 days before annual school election.**

09/4/2006 Deadline for school board candidates to file Statement of Financial Interest with the county clerk (unless filed as incumbent office holder by January 31, 2006) §21-8-701(C)(1)(A)

☐ **30 days after the deadline for filing for office.**

09/9/2006* Deadline for write-in school board candidates to file Statement of Financial Interest form unless filed by an incumbent office holder by January 31, 2005. §21-8-7(C)(1)(A)

☐ **30 days after the deadline for filing for office as a write-in.**

09/9/2006* Beginning date for the school board to publish polling site locations for the school election. §6-14-106(d)

☐ **10 days before annual school election.**

09/9/2006* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to place demonstration voting machines for the school election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ **10 days before annual school election.**

09/10/2006* Deadline to apply to register to vote for runoff school election. §6-14-108 & 7-5-201; Arkansas Constitution Amendment 51; NVRA

☐ **30 days before runoff school election.**

09/12/2006 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for annual school election. §7-5-403(a)(2)(A)(i)(v)(b)(1)

☐ **7 days before annual school election.**

09/15/2006 First day to place demonstration voting machines for runoff school election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ **25 days before runoff school election.**

09/16/2006* Deadline for the school board to publish polling sites for the school election. §6-14-106(d)

☐ **3 days before annual school election.**

09/18/2006 Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots for the school election in person, or by designated bearer. §7-5-403(a)(2)

☐ **1 day before annual school election.**

09/18/2006 Deadline for the voter (except for overseas voters) to deliver or to cast an absentee ballot in person with the county clerk or to participate in early voting. §§7-5-411(a)(iii); 7-5-418(a)

☐ **1 day before annual school election.**

09/18/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day before annual school election.**

09/19/2006 SCHOOL ELECTION - §6-14-102 (Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.) §7-5-304

☐ **Third Tuesday in September.**

09/19/2006 1:30 p.m. - Deadline for delivery of application for an absentee ballot by an authorized agent of the voter for the school election. §7-5-403(a)(2)(iv)

☐ **Annual School Election Day.**

09/19/2006 7:30 p.m. Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots (except for overseas ballots) by mail, or by delivery by a relative of voter, designated bearer or authorized agent for the school election. §7-5-411(a)(2)(A)

☐ **Annual School Election Day.**

09/19/2006 Deadline for civilian voters outside the U.S. to sign, date, postmark and personally mail absentee ballots to the county clerk (must be received by the county clerk by 10 days after election). §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ **Annual School Election Day.**

09/19/2006 Deadline for uniformed services personnel on active duty to execute absentee ballots (must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after the election). §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ **Annual School Election Day.**

09/19/2006 Election sheriff shall post "Vote Here" sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. §7-4-107(3)(A)

☐ **Annual School Election Day.**

09/19/2006 Deadline for return of all election materials from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the school election. §7-5-317(b)

☐ ***Immediately after the polls close.***

09/20/2006 Deadline for county clerk to publish locations of additional early voting sites and hours, if any. §7-5-418

☐ ***20 days before runoff school election (5 days before early voting begins for runoff).***

09/20/2006 School Board to give public notice of election time and place, and questions to be on ballot. §6-14-109(b)

☐ ***20 days before runoff school election.***

09/20/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials. §7-4-107(b)

☐ ***20 days before runoff school election.***

09/21/2006 First day for county board of election commissioners to ascertain and declare results of school board election. §6-14-115(a)

☐ ***2 days after annual school election.***

09/25/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to publish and post lists of appointees as election officials. §7-4-107(b)

☐ ***15 days before runoff school election.***

09/25/2006 First day for early voting for runoff school election. §7-5-418(a)

☐ ***15 days before runoff school election.***

09/29/2006 5:00 p.m. - Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots from voters outside the United States for the school election. §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ ***10 days after annual school election.***

09/29/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify the election results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots.

§7-5-701 ; §7-5-411; §6-14-115(a)

☐ ***10 days after annual school election.***

09/29/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to ascertain and declare results of school board election. §6-14-115(a)

☐ ***10 days after annual school election (no earlier than 48 hrs.).***

09/30/2006* Deadline for county board of elections commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to the county clerk for the runoff election. §7-5-407(b)

☐ ***10 days before runoff school election.***

09/30/2006* Deadline for County Board of Election Commissioners to place demonstration voting machines for the runoff school election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ ***10 days before runoff school election.***

09/30/2006* Beginning day for the school board to publish polling sites for the runoff school election. §6-14-106(d)

☐ **10 days before runoff school election.**

OCTOBER 2006

10/3/2006 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for runoff school election. §7-5-403(A)(b)(1)

☐ **7 days before runoff school election.**

10/5/2006 Deadline for county clerk to submit a certified copy of the certification of election and a copy of the ballot to the Director of the Department of Education. §6-14-115(c)

☐ **15 days after annual school election.**

10/7/2006* Deadline for the school board to publish polling sites for the runoff school election. §6-14-106(d)

☐ **3 days before runoff school election.**

10/9/2006 Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots for the school runoff election in person, or by a designated bearer. §7-5-403(a)(2)

☐ **1 day before runoff school election.**

10/9/2006 Deadline for voter (except for overseas voters) to deliver or to cast an absentee ballot in person with the county clerk or to participate in early voting. §7-5-411(a)(iii), 7-5-418(a)

☐ **1 day before runoff school election.**

10/9/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to select and deliver ballots to designated person for delivery to polling sites. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day before runoff school election.**

10/10/2006 RUNOFF SCHOOL ELECTION §6-14-121 (Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.) §7-5-304

☐ **3 weeks following annual school election.**

10/10/2006 1:30 p.m. - Deadline for delivery of application for an absentee ballot by an authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-403(a)(2)(iv)

☐ **Runoff school election.**

10/10/2006 7:30 p.m. - Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots (except for overseas ballots) by mail, or administrator, or designated bearer or an authorized agent for the runoff school election. §7-5-411(a)(2)(A)

☐ **Runoff school election.**

10/10/2006 Deadline for civilian voters outside the U.S. to sign, date, postmark and personally mail absentee ballots to the county clerk (must be received by the county clerk by 10 days after election.) §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ **Runoff school election.**

10/10/2006 Deadline for uniformed services personnel on active duty to execute absentee ballots (must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after the election). §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ **Runoff school election.**

10/10/2006 Election sheriff shall post "Vote Here" sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. §7-4-107(b)(3)(A)

☐ ***Runoff school election.***

10/10/2006 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the runoff school election. §7-5-317(b)

☐ ***Runoff school election.***

10/12/2006 First day for county board of election commissioners can ascertain and declare results of school board election (if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots). §6-14-115(a)

☐ ***2 days after runoff school election.***

10/20/2006 5:00 p. m. - Deadline for the county clerk to receive absentee ballots from voters outside the United States for the runoff school election. §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)

☐ ***10 calendar days after runoff school election.***

10/25/2006 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify the election results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701; § 7-5-411; §6-14-115(a)

☐ ***15 calendar days after runoff school election.***

Note: * These dates fall on a weekend or a holiday. Any deadlines falling on a weekend or holiday when the designated filing office is closed are extended to the following business day. §7-1-108

NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL ELECTION

2006

Nonpartisan Judicial Election Calendar 2006

DECEMBER 2005

12/19/05 First day for nonpartisan judicial candidates (not paying filing fee) to begin circulating petitions. §7-10-103(c)(1)(A)

☐ **60 days prior to filing deadline (2/17/06)**

FEBRUARY 2006

02/03/06 12:00 Noon – First day for nonpartisan judicial candidates to file petitions for ballot access in nonpartisan judicial general election without paying filing fee. §7-10-103(c)(1)(A)

☐ **46 days before third Tuesday in March.**

02/17/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for nonpartisan judicial candidates to file petitions for ballot access in nonpartisan judicial general election without paying filing fee. §7-10-103(c)(1)(A)

☐ **32 days before third Tuesday in March.**

02/22/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to provide federal regulations to county clerks concerning voting by overseas citizens and uniformed service personnel. §7-5-406(b)(2)

☐ **90 days before nonpartisan judicial general election (5/23/06).**

MARCH 2006

03/21/06 12:00 Noon – Filing period opens for party candidates running for office in the preferential primary election and for nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees. §7-7-203(c)(1); §7-10-103(b)(2)(B)

☐ **Third Tuesday in March and ending fourteen days thereafter (04/04/06) at noon.**

03/24/06 Deadline for write-in candidates in the nonpartisan judicial general election to file a notice of intent with the county board of election commissioners and either the Secretary of State or the county clerk. §7-10-103

☐ **60 days before nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06).**

APRIL 2006

04/04/06 12:00 Noon – Filing period closes for nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees. §7-10-103(b)(2)(B)

☐ **Beginning the third Tuesday in March (03/21/06) & ending fourteen days thereafter at noon.**

04/04/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees to file political practice pledges with Secretary of State and candidates for district court judge to file with the county clerk. §7-6-102(a)(1).

☐ **Beginning the third Tuesday in March (03/21/06) & ending fourteen days thereafter at noon.**

04/04/06 State Board of Election Commissioners meet to certify new voting equipment. §7-5-606(b)(3)

☐ **Meeting is Tuesday after first Monday in April. Report is due to Secretary of State within 10 days following annual meeting.**

04/05/06 Deadline for State Board of Election Commissioners (for state offices) or county board of election commissioners (for county offices) to review candidate names and titles on political practice pledges. §7-7-305(c)(2)

☐ ***One business day after filing deadline***

04/09/06* Deadline for Secretary of State to notify nonpartisan judicial candidates and county clerks to notify nonpartisan judicial candidates (District Court Judges), of failure to file a signed political practice pledge. Notice shall include a copy of the form and is to be sent by certified mail. §7-6-102(e)(2)(A)

☐ ***Within 5 days from which pledge is required to be filed.***

04/13/06 Secretary of State must notify the county board of election commissions of the nonpartisan judicial candidates to be voted on in the respective counties and County Clerks must notify the county board of election commissioners of the nonpartisan judicial District Judges to be voted on in the nonpartisan judicial general election. (not covered by statute)

(The names of candidates for nonpartisan judicial offices shall be included on the ballots of the political parties and shall be designated as nonpartisan judicial candidates. However, separate ballots containing only the names of nonpartisan judicial candidates shall be prepared and shall be made available to voters requesting said ballots. §7-10-102(b)(2))

☐ ***At least forty (40) days before preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election.***

04/18/06 Deadline for county clerk to notify each candidate (including write-ins and unopposed candidates) of filing deadlines for 10-day pre-election report and final report and to furnish appropriate forms and instructions. §7-6-208(b)(3)

☐ ***14 days after filing deadline for office (04/04/06).***

04/18/06 Deadline for candidates to draw for ballot positions for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-7-305(b); §7-5-208(g)(4)

☐ ***Thirty-five (35) days before preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06)***

04/23/06* Deadline for county election commission to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the nonpartisan judicial election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ ***30 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

04/23/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL ELECTION. §7-5-201(a)

☐ ***30 calendar days prior to the election on 05/23/06.***

04/28/06 First day to demonstrate voting machines for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ ***Not more than 25 days nor less than 10 days before the election.***

04/28/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to county clerks for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-407(a)

☐ ***25 days before the nonpartisan judicial general election.***

MAY 2006

05/01/06 Deadline for independent candidates to file for office and to file political practice pledge for state, district, county and township offices. §7-6-102(a)(2); §7-7-103(b)

☐ ***Same day petitions for nomination are to be filed (03/02/06) through May 1.***

05/03/06 Deadline for county clerk to publish the additional hours for early voting with the location of additional early voting polling sites in a newspaper. §7-5-418(b)(1)(C); §7-5-418(b)(5)

☐ ***5 days before start of early voting for preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election (5/08/06).***

05/03/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials §7-4-107(b)

☐ ***20 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/03/06 County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, hours of voting on election day, polling sites, candidates and offices to be elected in the nonpartisan judicial general election and time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing, and counting of absentee ballots. §7-5-202(a)

☐ ***20 days before preferential primary election.***

05/04/06 Deadline for nonpartisan judicial candidates to file statements of financial interest unless a statement was filed as an incumbent office holder by January 31, 2006. §21-8-701(c)

☐ ***Within thirty days after deadline to file for office (04/04/06).***

05/08/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of appointees as judges, clerks and sheriffs of elections. (For election on 05/23/06) §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ ***15 days prior to nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/08/06 Deadline for county clerks to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites. §7-5-101(d)(2).

☐ ***At least 15 days before nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/08/06 Early voting begins for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-418(a)(1)(A) Early voting shall not be available on state holidays. 7-5-418(a)(1)(B)

☐ ***Begins 15 days before an election and ends at 5 p.m. on the Monday before election day.***

05/08/06 First day for designated bearer to pick up absentee ballot (2 maximum) for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-409(h)

☐ ***15 days prior to election.***

05/13/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to demonstrate voting machines for the preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ ***Not less than 10 days prior to election nor more than 25 days.***

05/16/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-403(a)(2); (b)(1)

☐ ***7 days before preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/18/06 Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-202(b)

☐ **5 days before nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/22/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive in person or by designated bearer applications for absentee ballots for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-403(a)(2)(i)(iii)

☐ **Closing time 1 day before the nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/22/06 Deadline for the voter (except for overseas voters) to personally deliver absentee ballot to the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ **Closing time 1 day before preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day before nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/22/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418

☐ **5:00 p.m. on Monday before election.**

05/23/06

NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL ELECTION

Polls are open from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. §7-7-203(b), §7-5-304.

Tuesday three weeks prior to general primary.

05/23/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for delivery of application for an absentee ballot by an authorized agent of the voter in a hospital or nursing home. §7-5-403(a)(2)(A)(iv)(a)

☐ **1:30 p.m. on day of the nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/23/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots (excluding overseas ballots) by mail, the designated bearer, administrator or authorized agent of the voter for nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-411(a)

☐ **Not later than 7:30 p.m. on election day.**

05/23/06 Election sheriff shall post “Vote Here” sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. 7-4-107(b)

☐ **Nonpartisan judicial general election day.**

05/23/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballot to the county clerk. [Must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ **Nonpartisan judicial general election day.**

05/23/06 Deadline for active duty uniformed services personnel to execute absentee ballot. [Must be received by county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ **Preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election day.**

05/23/06 County Board of Election Commissioners shall post at each polling site the public notice of election, sample ballot, instructions on voting and voters' rights, and information on fraud and misrepresentation laws. §7-5-202(c)

☐ ***Day of election.***

05/23/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-317(b)

☐ ***Immediately after polls close***

05/23/06 County Board of Election Commissioners shall declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the nonpartisan general election, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to the Secretary of State by the Internet website interface provided by the Secretary of State. §7-5-701(a)(2)(A)

☐ ***Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.***

05/25/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for county board of election commissioners to meet to canvass returns and certify the nonpartisan judicial general election results if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. (Meeting held at 5:00 p.m. unless otherwise specified.) §7-7-203(g)(1); §7-5-701

☐ ***48 hours after nonpartisan judicial general election***

JUNE 2006

06/02/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel serving in active duty and from voters outside the United States for nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-411(a)(1)(A)

☐ ***5 p.m. ten calendar days after date of the nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06)***

06/02/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify the nonpartisan judicial general election results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-7-203(g)

☐ ***10 days after nonpartisan judicial general election (meeting to be at 5 p.m. unless otherwise specified)***

06/02/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-707(a)(6) as amended by Act 67 Section 14 of 2005

☐ ***After any election depending on certification date.***

SEPTEMBER 2006

09/08/06 Deadline for county clerks to begin to make available upon request applications for absentee ballots for the General Election & Nonpartisan Judicial Runoff Election (11/07/06). §7-5-405(a)(1)

☐ ***At least 60 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.***

09/18/06 Deadline for the Secretary of State to certify to the county election commission a full list of all candidates and ballot issues to be voted on in the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-203; §7-5-204.

☐ ***Not less than 50 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

09/18/06 Deadline for the clerk of each county to certify to the county board of election commissioners of his or her county a full list of all candidates to be voted for in the county as the nominations have been certified to him or her. §7-5-203(b) as amended by Act 67 Sect. 6 of 2005.

☐ ***50 days prior to general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).***

OCTOBER 2006

10/03/06 Deadline for candidates to draw for ballot positions in the general election. §7-5-208(f)(4) (Ballot order for nonpartisan judicial runoff remains same as in judicial general election.)

☐ ***Not less than 35 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/08/06* Deadline for county election commission to change precinct boundaries and polling places for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ ***30 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/08/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE FOR GENERAL ELECTION AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL RUNOFF ELECTION. Amend. 51, §9; §7-5-201 and AG Op 96-018.

☐ ***Must register to vote 30 days prior to date of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06)***

10/13/06 First day to demonstrate voting machines for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ ***25 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/13/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to county clerks for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-407

☐ ***25 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/18/06 County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, hours of voting on election day, polling sites, candidates and offices to be elected and the time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing and counting of absentee ballots (excluding nonpartisan judicial candidates). §7-5-202(a)

☐ ***20 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff (11/07/06).***

10/18/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials. §7-4-107(b)

☐ ***20 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff (11/07/06).***

10/18/06 County clerk to publish in a newspaper of general circulation additional early voting sites and early voting hours. §7-5-418(b)(1)(C); 7-5-498(b)(5)

☐ ***5 days before start of early voting, which is 10/23/06, for general election***

10/23/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of election officials for general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ ***Within 15 days before general election (11/07/06)***

10/23/06 Early voting begins for general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-418(a)(1)

☐ ***Begins 15 days before election (11/07/06) and ends at 5 p.m. on Monday before election.***

10/23/06 Deadline for county clerk to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites. §7-5-101(d)(2).

☐ ***At least 15 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/23/06 First day for designated bearer to pick up absentee ballot (2 maximum) for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-409(h)

☐ ***15 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/28/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to demonstrate voting machines for the general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06. §7-5-509(b)

☐ ***No less than 10 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.***

10/28/06* County Board of Election Commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, the hours of voting on election, polling sites, and the candidates and offices to be elected; and the time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing and counting of absentee ballots at the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-202

☐ ***10 days before general and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/31/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-403(a)(2)

☐ ***7 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

NOVEMBER 2006

11/02/06 Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site with time of election, polling sites and offices to be elected (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-202

☐ ***No later than 5 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06)***

11/06/06 Deadline for the voter (except overseas voters) to personally deliver an absentee ballot to the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ ***Closing time 1 day before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/06/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418(a)

☐ ***5 p.m. on Monday before election (11/07/06).***

11/06/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/06/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots in person or by designated bearer for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election.

§7-5-403(a)(2).

☐ **Closing time 1 day before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/07/06

GENERAL ELECTION AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL RUNOFF ELECTION

§7-5-102 (Polls Open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.) §7-5-304

☐ **Tuesday next after first Monday in November in every even numbered year.**

11/07/06 Election sheriff shall post "Vote Here" sign near each main driveway entrance to polling sites. §7-4-107(b).

☐ **Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/07/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballot application to be delivered to the county clerk by an authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-403(2)(A)(iv)

☐ **1:30 p.m. on day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/07/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballots (excluding overseas ballots) to be delivered to the county clerk by the designated bearer, administrator or the authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-411(a)

☐ **7:30 p.m. on day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/07/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballots to county clerk [must be received by county clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election]. §7-5-411(a) (1)(B)(i)

☐ **Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/07/06 Deadline for active duty uniformed services personnel to execute absentee ballot. [Must be received by county clerk by 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ **Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/07/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county election commission. §7-5-317(b)

☐ **Immediately after polls close.**

11/07/06 County Board of Election Commissioners to declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the general election, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to SOS electronically. §7-5-701(a)(2)

☐ **Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.**

11/09/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for county board of election commissioners to declare and certify results of general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election to Secretary of State if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701(a)

☐ **48 hours after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/17/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel on active duty and from voters outside the United States for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-411(a)(1)

☐ **5:00 p.m. 10 days after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-707(a)(6)

☐ **After any election depending on certification date.**

11/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to canvass returns and certify results of general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701(a) as amended by Act 895 Sect.1 of 2005 7-5-701(a)(1) No earlier than forty-eight (48) hours after the election and no later than the fifteenth calendar day after the election, the county board of election commissioners, from the certificates and ballots received from the several precincts, shall proceed to ascertain, declare and certify the result of the election to the Secretary of State.

☐ **No later than 15 days after general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/26/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver certificate of election to winning candidates for any county office. §7-5-701(a)(3) (includes district court judges)

☐ **19 days after general election**

JANUARY 2007

01/06/07* Deadline for officials elected in November 7, 2006, general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election, and for judges elected at nonpartisan judicial general election without a runoff to send certificate of election and legal fee for commission to Secretary of State.

§21-2-101, §21-6-202, §21-2-102

☐ **60 days after general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.**

01/31/07 Deadline for incumbent officeholders to file statements of financial interest for 2006. {State and district officials file with the Secretary of State; county, township and school officials file with the county clerk; municipal officials file with the city clerk or recorder.} §21-8-701(c)

☐ **Must be filed on or before January 31 of each year.**

*** Dates that fall on a weekend or holiday. If an election law deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the deadline shall be the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. §7-1-108**

NOTE: For filing deadlines for campaign finance filings (campaign contribution and expenditure reports, PAC and lobbyist reports), contact the Arkansas Ethics Commission at 501-324-9600 or visit their website at www.arkansasethics.com.

PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY

2006

Preferential Primary Dates 2006

MARCH 2006

03/21/06 12:00 Noon – Filing period opens for party candidates running for office in the preferential primary election and for nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees. §7-7-203(c)(1) §7-10-103(b)(2)(B)

☐ ***Third Tuesday in March and ending fourteen days thereafter (04/04/06) at noon.***

03/21/06 12:00 Noon – First day candidate or his agent can notify in writing the county board of election commissioners, and either the Secretary of State, if a state or district candidate or a county clerk if a candidate for county or township office, of his intention to be a write-in candidate. §7-5-205

03/24/06 Deadline for county clerks to begin to make available upon request applications for absentee ballots for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-405

☐ ***At least sixty (60) days before preferential primary election (05/23/06).***

APRIL 2006

04/04/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline to file notice of Intent as an independent candidate. §7-7-103

☐ ***Beginning the third Tuesday in March and ending fourteen days thereafter at noon.***

04/04/06 12:00 Noon – Filing period closes for party candidates running in the preferential primary and for nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees. §7-7-203(c)(1); §7-10-103(b)(2)(B)

☐ ***Beginning the third Tuesday in March (03/21/06) and ending fourteen days thereafter at noon.***

04/04/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for party candidates for state and district offices and nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees to file political practice pledges with the Secretary of State and for county, municipal and township offices to file with the county clerk. §7-6-102(a)(1)

☐ ***Pledge must be filed not later than 12:00 noon 14 days after third Tuesday in March prior to preferential primary election.***

04/09/06* Deadline for Secretary of State to notify party candidates for state/district offices and county clerks to notify county, township and municipal candidates, of failure to file a signed political practice pledge. Notice shall include a copy of the form and is to be sent by certified mail. §7-6-102(e)(2)(A)

☐ ***Within 5 days from which pledge is required to be filed.***

04/13/06 Deadline for the state committee of the political party to certify a full list of candidates who have qualified and are to be voted on in respective counties to the county committees and county boards of election commissioners. §7-7-203(d)

☐ ***Forty (40) days prior to preferential primary (05/23/06).***

04/18/06 Deadline for candidates to draw for ballot positions for the preferential primary election and for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-7-305(b); 7-5-208(g)(4)

☐ ***Thirty-five (35) days before preferential primary & nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06).***

04/23/06* Deadline for county election commission to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ ***30 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

04/23/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY AND THE NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL ELECTION. §7-5-201(a)

☐ ***30 calendar days prior to preferential primary election on 05/23/06.***

04/28/06 First day to demonstrate voting machines for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ ***Not more than 25 days nor less than 10 days before preferential primary election.***

04/28/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to county clerks for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-407(a)

☐ ***25 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

MAY 2006

05/01/06 Deadline for independent candidates to file for office and to file political practice pledge for state, district, county and township offices. §7-6-102(a)(2); §7-7-103(b)

☐ ***Same day petitions for nomination are to be filed (03/02/06) through May 1, 2006.***

05/03/06 Deadline for county clerk to publish the additional hours for early voting with the location of additional early voting polling sites in a newspaper. §7-5-418(b)(1)(C); §7-5-418(b)(5)

☐ ***5 days before start of early voting for preferential primary election (5/08/06).***

05/03/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials. §7-4-107(b)

☐ ***20 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/03/06 County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, hours of voting on election day, polling sites, candidates and offices to be elected; and time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing, and counting of absentee ballots in preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-202(a)

☐ ***20 days before preferential primary election.***

05/04/06 Deadline for party candidates to file statements of financial interest unless a statement was filed as an incumbent office holder by 01/31/06. §21-8-701(c)

☐ ***Within 30 days after deadline to file for office.***

05/08/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of appointees as judges, clerks and sheriffs of elections. (For election on 05/23/06) §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ **15 days prior to preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/08/06 Deadline for county clerks to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites. §7-5-101(d)(2).

☐ **At least 15 days before preferential primary & nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/08/06 Early voting begins for preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-418(a)(1)(A) Early voting shall not be available on state holidays. §7-5-418(a)(1)(B)

☐ **Begins 15 days before an election and ends at 6 p.m. on the Monday before election day.**

05/08/06 First day for designated bearer to pick up absentee ballot (2 maximum) for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-409(h)

☐ **15 days prior to a preferential primary or general election.**

05/13/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to demonstrate voting machines for the preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ **Not less than 10 days prior to election nor more than 25 days.**

05/16/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-403(a)(2);(b)(1)

☐ **7 days before preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/18/06 Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-202(b)

☐ **5 days before preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/22/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive in person or by designated bearer applications for absentee ballots for the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election.

§7-5-403(a)(2)(i)(iii)

☐ **Closing time 1 day before preferential primary & nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/22/06 Deadline for the voter (except for overseas voters) to personally deliver absentee ballot to the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ **Closing time 1 day before preferential primary & nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day before preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/22/06 5:00 p.m. – deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418

☐ **5 p.m. on Monday before election.**

05/23/06

PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL ELECTION

Polls are open from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. §7-7-203(b), §7-5-304.

☐ ***Tuesday three weeks prior to general primary.***

05/23/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots (excluding overseas ballots) by mail, the designated bearer, administrator or authorized agent of the voter for preferential primary or nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-411(a)

☐ ***Not later than 7:30 p.m. on election day.***

05/23/06 Election sheriff shall post “Vote Here” sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. 7-4-107(b)

☐ ***Preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election day.***

05/23/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballot to the county clerk. [Must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ ***Preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election day.***

05/23/06 Deadline for active duty uniformed services personnel to execute absentee ballot. [Must be received by county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ ***Preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election day.***

05/23/06 County Board of Election Commissioners shall post at each polling site the public notice of election, sample ballot, instructions on voting and voters’ rights, and information on fraud and misrepresentation laws. §7-5-202(c)

☐ ***Day of election.***

05/23/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election.

§7-5-317(b)

☐ ***Immediately after polls close.***

05/23/06 County Board of Election Commissioners shall declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the preferential primary election, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to the Secretary of State by the Internet website interface provided by the Secretary of State. §7-5-701(a)(2)(A)

☐ ***Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.***

05/25/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for county board of election commissioners to meet to canvass returns and certify the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election results if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. (Meeting held at 5:00 p.m. unless otherwise specified.) §7-7-203(g)(1); §7-5-701

☐ ***48 hours after preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election.***

JUNE 2006

06/02/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel serving in active duty and from voters outside the United States for preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-411(a)(1)(A)

☐ ***5:00 p.m. ten calendar days after date of preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06).***

06/02/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-7-203(g) and §7-5-701

☐ ***10 days after preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election (meeting to be at 5:00 unless otherwise specified)***

06/02/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-707(a)(6) as amended by Act 67 Sect. 14 of 2005

☐ ***After any election depending on certification date.***

**** These dates fall on a weekend or holiday. Any deadlines falling on a weekend or holiday when the designated filing office is closed are extended to the following business day. §7-1-108.***

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Arkansas Code referring to election complaints filed with the Circuit Court

§7-5-801. Right of action – Procedure.

(d) The complaint shall be verified by the affidavit of the contestant to the effect that he believes the statements to be true and shall be filed within twenty (20) days of the certification of complained of.

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION (RUNOFF)

2006

General Primary Election (Runoff)

APRIL 2006

04/14/06 Deadline for County Clerks to begin to make available upon request applications for absentee ballots for the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-405(a)(1)

☐ ***At least sixty (60) days before general primary (runoff) election (06/13/06).***

MAY 2006

05/14/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the General Primary (runoff) Election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ ***30 days before general primary (runoff) election.***

05/14/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION (RUNOFF). Amendment 51 section 9, §7-5-201 and AG Opinion 96-018.

☐ ***30 days prior to general primary (runoff) election.***

05/24/06 Deadline for the county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials for general primary (runoff) election §7-4-107(b)(1)(A)

☐ ***20 days before general primary (runoff) election.***

05/24/06 Deadline for county clerk to publish in a newspaper the additional early voting polling sites and hours for early voting. §7-5-418(b)(1)(C); §7-5-418(b)(5)

☐ ***5 days before start of early voting (5/29/06) for general primary (runoff) election.***

05/29/06* Deadline for county clerks to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites for general primary election. §7-5-101(d)(2)

☐ ***15 days before general primary (runoff) election.***

JUNE 2006

06/03/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to the county clerk for the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-407(b)

☐ ***10 days prior to general primary (runoff) election.***

06/03/06* County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of the date of the election, hours of voting on election day, polling sites, candidates and offices to be elected in general primary. §7-5-202(a)

☐ ***10 days before general primary election (runoff) election.***

06/06/06 Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for general primary (runoff) election §7-5-403(a)(2)(b)(1)

☐ ***7 days before general primary (runoff) election.***

06/06/06 First day for designated bearer to pick up absentee ballots (2 maximum) for the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-409(h)

☐ **7 days before general primary (runoff) election.**

06/08/06 Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site (optional) and publishing in newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the general primary election (runoff). §7-5-202(b)

☐ **5 days before general primary election (runoff) on 06/13/06.**

06/12/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls for the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day before general primary (runoff) election.**

06/12/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive in person or by designated bearer applications for absentee ballots for the general primary election (runoff). §7-5-403(a)(2)(A)

☐ **Closing time one day before general primary (runoff) election.**

06/12/06 Deadline for the voter (except overseas voters) to personally deliver an absentee ballot to the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ **1 day before general primary election (runoff) on 06/13/06.**

06/12/06 5:00 p.m. Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. 7-5-418(a)(1)

☐ **5:00 p.m. on Monday before election.**

06/13/06

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION (RUNOFF)

Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30p.m. §7-7-203(a); §7-5-304.

☐ **Second Tuesday in June.**

06/13/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballots to county clerk [must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 pm ten (10) days after election] §7-5-411

☐ **General Primary (runoff) Election Day.**

06/13/06 Deadline for active duty uniformed services personnel to execute absentee ballot. [Must be received by county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after election.] §7-5-411

☐ **General Primary (runoff) Election Day.**

06/13/06 1:30 p.m. Deadline for delivery of application for an absentee ballot by an authorized agent of the voter in a hospital or nursing home for the general primary election (runoff). §7-5-403(a)(2)(A)(iv)(a)

☐ **1:30 p.m. on day of general primary (runoff) election.**

06/13/06 Election sheriff shall post "Vote Here" sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. §7-4-107(b)

☐ **On the day of general primary (runoff) election.**

06/13/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots by mail, the designated bearer, administrator, or the authorized agent of the absentee voter for general primary election (runoff): excludes overseas ballots. §7-5-411(a)

☐ **7:30 p.m. on day of general primary (runoff) election.**

06/13/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-317(b)

☐ **Immediately after polls close.**

06/13/06 County Board of Election Commissioners to declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the primary runoff election, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to SOS electronically. §7-5-701(a)(2)

☐ **Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.**

06/15/06 7:30 p.m. Earliest time for the county board of election commissioners to meet to canvass returns and certify the general primary election (runoff) if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. (Meeting held at 5:00 p.m. unless otherwise specified).

§7-7-203(g)(1), §7-5-701(a)

☐ **48 hours after general primary (runoff).**

06/19/06 Date of county convention of the political parties holding a primary election §7-7-203(h)

☐ **First Monday following date of runoff on 06/13/06.**

06/23/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the general primary (runoff) election and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-707(a)(6) as amended by Act 67 Sect. 14 of 2005

☐ **After any election depending on certification date.**

06/23/06 5:00 p.m. Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel serving in active duty and from qualified electors outside the United States for the general primary election (runoff). §7-5-411(a)(1)(A)

☐ **No later than 5:00 p.m. 10 calendar days after date of general primary (runoff) election. on 06/13/06.**

06/23/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-7-203(g)

☐ **10 days after general primary election (runoff) on 06/13/06.**

*** These dates fall on a weekend or holiday. Any deadlines falling on a weekend or holiday when the designated filing office is closed are extended to the following business day. §7-1-108.**

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

2006

Municipal Election Calendar 2006

June 2006

06/29/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for candidates for mayor or director in cities with city administrator form of government to file petition and statement of candidacy with city clerk. §14-48-109(2)(B)(3)

☐ **Noon — Not less than 40 nor more than 60 days prior to municipal primary election on 08/08/06.**

JULY 2006

07/20/06 Filing period begins for independent candidates for municipal offices with mayor council form of government to file petitions of nomination and political practice pledges with the county clerk. (Does not apply to district judges.) §14-42-206(b)(1); §7-6-102(a)(3)

☐ **110 days prior to municipal general election (11/07/06).**

AUGUST 2006

08/08/06 Municipal primary election (other than initial primary) for those nominations for offices to be filled at the municipal general election shall be held on the second Tuesday of August preceding the municipal general election. §§14-48-109(a)(2)(B)(i)

☐ **2nd Tuesday of August preceding the municipal general election (11/07/06).**

08/09/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for independent candidates for municipal offices, with mayor council form of government, to file political practice pledges and nomination petitions.[County clerk must verify within 10 days of filing.] §14-42-206(b)(1); §7-6-102(a)(3)

☐ **90 days before general election (11/07/06).**

08/14/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to notify write-in candidates for state and district offices, and for county clerks to notify write-in and independent candidates for county, municipal and township offices by certified mail, which requires a return receipt signed by the candidates, of failure to file signed political practice pledges. Notice shall include a copy of the political practice pledge. §7-6-102(e)(2)(A)

☐ **Within 5 days from filing deadline).**

08/19/06* Filing period begins for candidates for director in cities with city manager form of government to file petitions and political practice pledges with county clerk. §14-47-110(a)(2)

☐ **80 days prior to general election (11/07/06)**

SEPTEMBER 2006

09/05/06 Deadline for city clerk or recorder in cities with city administrator form of government to certify name of candidate and election proclamation to county board of election commissioners (unless petition fails to meet required standards). §14-48-109(a)(6)(B)

☐ **35 days before municipal primary election (10/10/06).**

09/08/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for candidates for director in cities with city manager form of government to file petitions and political practice pledges with city clerk by 12:00 noon §14-47-110(a)(2)

☐ **Not more than 80 (8/19/06) nor less than 60 (09/08/06) days before the election by noon.**

09/08/06 Deadline for county clerk to notify by registered mail the county committee of each political party that a certified list of county, township, and municipal nominees shall be filed with the county board of election commissioners and the county clerk. §7-7-203(j)(2)

☐ **60 days prior to general election.**

09/08/06 Deadline for municipal independent and state and district write-in candidates to file statements of financial interest unless a statement was filed as an incumbent office holder by January 31, 2006. §21-8-701(c).

☐ **Within 30 days after deadline for filing for office (8/09/06).**

OCTOBER 2006

10/03/06 Deadline for city clerk or recorder in cities with city manager form of government to certify names of candidates for director, and the election proclamation (if a special election) to county board of election commissioners (unless petition fails to meet required standards). §14-47-110(a)(3)(D)

☐ **35 days before general election.**

10/29/06* Deadline for County Board of Election Commissioners to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the general election runoff. §7-5-101(a)(4).

☐ **30 days before general election runoff (county and municipal only) on 11/28/06.**

10/29/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF. §7-5-201, AG Op. 96-018 and Amendment 51, §9.

☐ **30 calendar days prior to general runoff election on 11/28/06.**

NOVEMBER 2006

11/08/06 Deadline for county boards of election commissioners to appoint election officials for general runoff election. §7-4-107(b)

☐ **20 days prior to general election runoff (11/28/06).**

11/08/06 Deadline for county clerk to publish in a newspaper the locations of additional early voting sites and the hours of early voting for general runoff. §7-5-418(b)(1)(c)

☐ **5 days prior to early voting which starts on 11/13/06 for general election runoff.**

11/13/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of appointees as election officials for the general election runoff. §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ **15 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/13/06 Early voting begins for general election runoff. §7-5-418(a)

☐ **Begins 15 days prior to general election runoff and ends at 5:00 p.m. on Monday before election day.**

11/13/06 Deadline for county clerks to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites. §7-5-101(d)(2)

☐ **15 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/18/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to the county clerk for the general election Runoff. §7-5-407(b)

☐ **10 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/18/06* County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of the date of the election, the hours of voting on election day, polling sites for holding the elections in the county and the candidates and offices to be elected in general election runoff. §7-5-202(a)

☐ **10 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/21/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for general election runoff. §7-5-403(A)(ii)

☐ **7 days before general election runoff.**

11/23/06* Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the general election runoff. §7-5-202(b)

☐ **5 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/26/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver certificate of election to winning candidates for any county office. §7-5-701(a)(3)

☐ **19 days after general election.**

11/27/06 Deadline for the voter (except overseas voters) to deliver or to cast an absentee ballot in person with the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ **Closing time 1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/27/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418(a)

☐ **5:00 p.m. on Monday before election day (11/28/06).**

11/27/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/27/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots for the general election runoff in person or by designated bearer. §7-5-403(A)(iii)

☐ **Closing time 1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/28/06

GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF

(county and municipal only)

Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. §7-5-703(c); §7-5-704(b); §7-5-106.

☐ **3 weeks after general election (11/07/06).**

11/28/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballots to county clerk [must be received by county clerk by 10 days after election]. §7-5-411

☐ ***Day of general election runoff.***

11/28/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballot application to be delivered to the county clerk by an authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-403(a)

☐ ***1:30 p.m. on day of general election runoff.***

11/28/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballots (except overseas ballots) to be delivered to the county clerk by mail, designated bearer, administrator or authorized agent of the voter.

§7-5-411(a)

☐ ***7:30 p.m. on day of general election runoff.***

11/28/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners. §7-5-317(b)

☐ ***Immediately after polls close.***

11/28/06 Election sheriff shall post “Vote Here” sign near each main driveway entrance to polling sites. §7-4-107(b)

☐ ***Day of general election runoff.***

11/28/06 County Board of Election Commissioners to declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the general election runoff, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to the Secretary of State electronically. §7-5-701(a)(2)

☐ ***Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.***

11/30/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for the county election commission to declare and certify results of the general election runoff to the Secretary of State if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701(a)

☐ ***48 hours after general election runoff.***

DECEMBER 2006

12/08/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel on active duty and from voters outside the United States for the general election runoff. §7-5-411(a)(1)

☐ ***5:00 p.m. 10 days after general election runoff.***

12/13/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to canvass returns and certify results of general election runoff if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots.

§ 7-5-701(a)

☐ ***15 days after general election runoff.***

12/17/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver certificates of election to winning candidates for county offices in the general election runoff. §7-5-701(a)(3)

☐ ***19 days after general election runoff.***

12/28/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the general election runoff. §7-5-707(a)(6)

☐ ***After any election depending on certification date.***

****These dates fall on a weekend or holiday. Any deadlines falling on a weekend or holiday when the designated filing office is closed are extended to the following business day. §7-1-108.***

Note: 14-43-202 Write-in votes not counted.

In all general elections held in cities of the first class and second class and incorporated towns for the election of officials of these municipalities, no ballots shall be counted for an person whose name is written in thereon. Only votes cast for the regularly nominated, or otherwise qualified, candidates whose names are printed on the ballot as candidates in the election shall be counted by the judges and clerks.

GENERAL ELECTION

2006

7-5-102. Time of general election.

On the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in every even-numbered year, there shall be held an election in each precinct and ward in this state for the election of all elective state, county, and township officers whose term of office is fixed by the Arkansas Constitution or the General Assembly at two (2) years; for State Senators in their respective districts when the terms for which the Senators shall have been elected shall expire before the next general election; for Representatives in the Congress of the United States for each congressional district in this state; for United States Senators, when the term of office of any Senator shall expire before the next general election; and for prosecuting attorney in this state.

History. Acts 1969, No. 465, Art. 6, § 2; A.S.A. 1947, § 3-602; Acts 1993, No. 512, § 1; Acts 2005, No. 67, § 5.

General Election 2006

OCTOBER 2006

10/03/06 Deadline for candidates to draw for ballot positions in the general election. §7-5-208(f)(4) (Ballot order for nonpartisan judicial runoff remains same as in judicial general.)

☐ **Not less than 35 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/03/06 Deadline for city clerk or recorder in cities with city manager form of government to certify names of candidates for director and the election proclamation (if a special election) to county board of election commissioners (unless petition fails to meet required standards).

§14-47-110(a)(3)(D)

☐ **35 days before general election.**

10/08/06* Deadline for county election commission to change precinct boundaries and polling places for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ **30 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/08/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE FOR GENERAL ELECTION AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL RUNOFF ELECTION. Amend. 51, §9; §7-5-201 and AG Op 96-018.

☐ **Must register to vote 30 days prior to date of general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).**

10/10/06 Municipal primary election (other than initial primary) for directors and mayor in cities with city administrator form of government if more than two candidates qualify.

§§14-48- 109(a)(2)(B), 14-48-109(a)(8)

☐ **4th Tuesday before municipal general election (11/07/06).**

10/13/06 First day to demonstrate voting machines for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ **25 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/13/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to county clerks for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-407

☐ **25 days before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/18/06 Deadline for Attorney General to send abstract of initiative measures to the Secretary of State. §7-9-114

☐ **Not less than 20 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/18/06 County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, hours of voting on election day, polling sites, candidates and offices to be elected; and the time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing, and counting of absentee ballots (excluding nonpartisan judicial candidates).

§7-5-202(a)

☐ **20 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/18/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials. §7-4-107(b)

☐ **20 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/18/06 County clerk to publish in a newspaper of general circulation additional early voting sites and early voting hours. §7-5-418(b)(1)(C); §7-5-498(b)(5)

☐ **5 days before start of early voting, which is 10/23/06, for general election.**

10/20/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to furnish ballot title and popular name of each proposed ballot measure to the State Board of Election Commissioners and to all county boards of election commissioners. §7-9-115

☐ **18 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/20/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to send certified copies of Attorney General's abstract of initiated ballot measures to each county board of election commissioners, who shall post copies at all polling sites. §7-9-114(b)

☐ **18 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/23/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of election officials for general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ **Within 15 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/23/06 Early voting begins for general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-418(a)(1)

☐ **Begins 15 days before election (11/07/06) and ends at 5 p.m. on Monday before election.**

10/23/06 Deadline for county clerk to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites. §7-5-101(d)(2).

☐ **At least 15 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/23/06 First day for designated bearer to pick up absentee ballot (2 maximum) for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-409(h)

☐ **15 days before general election.**

10/28/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to demonstrate voting machines for the general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06. §7-5-509(b)

☐ **No less than 10 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.**

10/28/06* County Board of Election Commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, the hours of voting on election, polling sites, and the candidates and offices to be elected and the time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing and counting of absentee ballots at the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-202

☐ **10 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/31/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-403(a)(2)

☐ **7 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

NOVEMBER 2006

11/02/06 Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site with time of election, polling sites and offices to be elected (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election.

§7-5-202

☐ ***No later than 5 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).***

11/06/06 Deadline for the voter (except overseas voters) to personally deliver an absentee ballot to the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ ***Closing time 1 day before general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/06/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418(a)

☐ ***5 p.m. on Monday before election (11/07/06).***

11/06/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ ***1 day before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/06/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots in person or by designated bearer for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election.

§7-5-403(a)(2).

☐ ***Closing time 1 day before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06

GENERAL ELECTION AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL RUNOFF ELECTION

§7-5-102 (Polls Open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.) §7-5-304

Tuesday next after first Monday in November in every even numbered year.

11/07/06 Election sheriff shall post “Vote Here” sign near each main driveway entrance to polling sites. §7-4-107(b).

☐ ***Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballot application to be delivered to the county clerk by an authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-403(2)(A)(iv)

☐ ***1:30 p.m. on day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballots (excluding overseas ballots) to be delivered to the county clerk by the designated bearer, administrator or the authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-411(a)

☐ ***7:30 p.m. on day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballots to county clerk [must be received by county clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election]. §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ ***Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 Deadline for active duty uniformed services personnel to execute absentee ballot. [Must be received by county clerk by 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ ***Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county election commission. §7-5-317(b)

☐ ***Immediately after polls close.***

11/07/06 County Board of Election Commissioners to declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the general election, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to SOS electronically. §7-5-701(a)(2)

☐ ***Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.***

11/09/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for county board of election commissioners to declare and certify results of general election to Secretary of State if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701(a)

☐ ***48 hours after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/17/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel on active duty and from voters outside the United States for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-411(a)(1)

☐ ***5:00 p.m. 10 days after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to canvass returns and certify results of general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701(a)

☐ ***No later than 15 days after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-707(a)(6)

☐ ***After any election depending on certification date.***

11/26/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver certificate of election to winning candidates for any county office. §7-5-701(a)(3)

☐ ***19 days after general election.***

JANUARY 2007

01/06/07* Deadline for officials elected in November 7, 2006, general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election, and for judges elected at nonpartisan judicial general election without a runoff to send legal fee for commission to Secretary of State. §21-2-101, §21-6-202, §21-2-102 [NOTE: State legislators are not required to be commissioned. However, legislators wanting to receive a commission must pay the fee.]

☐ ***60 days after general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.***

01/31/07 Deadline for incumbent office holders to file statements of financial interest for 2006. [State and district officials file with the Secretary of State; county, township and school officials file with the county clerk; municipal officials file with the city clerk or recorder.] §21-8-701(c)

☐ ***Must be filed on or before January 31 of each year.***

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Arkansas Code referring to complaints filed with the Circuit Court

§7-5-801. Right of action – Procedure.

(d) The complaint shall be verified by the affidavit of the contestant to the effect that he believes the statements to be true and shall be filed within twenty (20) days of the certification of complained of.

§7-5-807. Election illegalities – Complaint – Grand jury investigation – Indictment – Trial.

(a) If ten (10) reputable citizens of any county shall file a complaint with the circuit judge within twenty (20) days after any election alleging that illegal or fraudulent votes were cast, that fraudulent returns or certifications were made, or that the Political Practices Act was violated, the circuit judge, if in his opinion there is good ground to believe the charges to be true, shall convene a special term at once unless the regular term is in session or will convene within thirty (30) days.

(b) If the charges come in a regular term, the judge shall specially charge the grand jury as to them.

(c) Should a special term be called, it shall in all respects be as if convened by law. The circuit judge shall cause to be summoned grand and petit jurors, either on lists selected by the jury commissioners, by the sheriff, or by disinterested persons selected by him for that purpose, according to his opinion as to the best method to select unbiased jurors.

(d) Should indictments be returned, either at a special or regular term, for violating the general, primary, or special election laws, the defendants shall be given a speedy trial at the term, and the court may adjourn terms of other courts in order that they may be tried, unless for good cause shown or in the interests of justice a continuance or change of venue is granted. No change of venue shall be granted in such cases except after a hearing and a finding by the court that the defendant cannot obtain a fair and impartial trial in the district of the county where the indictment is pending.

GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF

2006

General Election Runoff 2006

SEPTEMBER 2006

09/29/06 Deadline for county clerks to begin to make available upon request applications for absentee ballots for the general election runoff

☐ ***At least 60 days prior to general election runoff (11/28/06).***

OCTOBER 2006

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NOVEMBER 2006

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DECEMBER 2006

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§ 7-5-701(a)

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(b) If the charges come in a regular term, the judge shall specially charge the grand jury as to them.

(c) Should a special term be called, it shall in all respects be as if convened by law. The circuit judge shall cause to be summoned grand and petit jurors, either on lists selected by the jury commissioners, by the sheriff, or by disinterested persons selected by him for that purpose, according to his opinion as to the best method to select unbiased jurors.

(d) Should indictments be returned, either at a special or regular term, for violating the general, primary, or special election laws, the defendants shall be given a speedy trial at the term, and the court may adjourn terms of other courts in order that they may be tried, unless for good cause shown or in the interests of justice a continuance or change of venue is granted. No change of venue shall be granted in such cases except after a hearing and a finding by the court that the defendant cannot obtain a fair and impartial trial in the district of the county where the indictment is pending.

11/21/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for general election runoff. §7-5-403(A)(ii)

☐ **7 days before general election runoff.**

11/23/06* Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the general election runoff.

§7-5-202(b)

☐ **5 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/27/06 Deadline for the voter (except overseas voters) to deliver or to cast an absentee ballot in person with the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ **Closing time 1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/27/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418(a)

☐ **5:00 p.m. on Monday before election day (11/28/06).**

11/27/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/27/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots for the general election runoff in person or by designated bearer. §7-5-403(A)(iii)

☐ **Closing time 1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/28/06

GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF

(county and municipal only)

Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. §7-5-703(c); §7-5-704(b); §7-5-106.

☐ **3 weeks after general election (11/07/06)**

11/28/06 Election sheriff shall post “Vote Here” sign near each main driveway entrance to polling sites. §7-4-107(b)

☐ **Day of general election runoff.**

11/28/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballots to county clerk [must be received by county clerk by 10 days after election].

§7-5-411

☐ **Day of general election runoff.**

11/28/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballot application to be delivered to the county clerk by an authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-403(a)

☐ **1:30 p.m. on day of general election runoff.**

11/28/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballots (except overseas ballots) to be delivered to the county clerk by mail, designated bearer, administrator or authorized agent of the voter.

§7-5-411(a)

☐ **7:30 p.m. on day of general election runoff.**

FULL ELECTION CALENDAR

2006

2006 ELECTION CALENDAR

(School Calendar NOT included)

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DECEMBER 2005

12/19/05 First day for nonpartisan judicial candidates (not paying filing fee) to begin circulating petitions. §7-10-103(c)(1)(A)

❑ **60 days prior to filing deadline (2/17/06).**

JANUARY 2006

01/31/06 Deadline for incumbent office holders to file Statements of Financial Interest for 2005. State and district officials file with the Secretary of State; county, township and school officials file with the county clerk; municipal officials file with the city clerk or recorder. §21-8-701(c)(1)(A) and §7-6-225

❑ **Must be filed on or before January 31 of each year.**

FEBRUARY 2006

02/03/06 12:00 Noon – First day for nonpartisan judicial candidates to file petitions for ballot access in nonpartisan judicial general election without paying filing fee. §7-10-103(c)(1)(A)

❑ **46 days before third Tuesday in March.**

02/17/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for nonpartisan judicial candidates to file petitions for ballot access in nonpartisan judicial general election without paying filing fee. §7-10-103(c)(1)(A)

❑ **32 days before third Tuesday in March.**

02/22/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to provide federal regulations to county clerks concerning voting by overseas citizens and uniformed service personnel. §7-5-406(b)(2)

❑ **90 days before nonpartisan judicial general election (5/23/06).**

MARCH 2006

03/02/06 First day independent candidates for state, county, township or district office can circulate petitions. By implication it is also the first day they can file petitions to run for office in the general election. (This excludes municipal offices) §7-7-103(b)(3)

❑ **60 calendar days prior to deadline (May 1) for filing petitions.**

03/21/06 12:00 Noon – Filing period opens for party candidates running for office in the preferential primary election and for nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees.

§7-7-203(c)(1) §7-10-103(b)(2)(B)

❑ **Third Tuesday in March and ending fourteen days thereafter (04/04/06) at noon.**

03/21/06 12:00 Noon – First day candidate or his agent can notify in writing the county board of election commissioners, and either the Secretary of State, if a state or district candidate or a county clerk if a candidate for county or township office, of his intention to be a **write-in candidate**. §7-5-205

03/24/06 Deadline for county clerks to begin to make available upon request applications for absentee ballots for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-405

☐ ***At least sixty (60) days before preferential primary election (05/23/06).***

03/24/06 Deadline for write-in candidates in the nonpartisan judicial general election to file a notice of intent with the county board of election commissioners and either the Secretary of State or the county clerk. §7-10-103(d)

☐ ***60 days before nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06).***

APRIL 2006

04/04/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline to file Notice of Intent as an independent candidate §7-7-103

☐ ***Beginning the third Tuesday in March (03/21/06) and ending fourteen days thereafter at noon.***

04/04/06 State Board of Election Commissioners meet to certify new voting equipment. §7-5-606(b)(3)

☐ ***Meeting is Tuesday after first Monday in April. Report is due to Secretary of State within 10 days following annual meeting.***

04/04/06 12:00 Noon – Filing period closes for party candidates running in the preferential primary and for nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees.

§7-7-203(c)(1) §7-10-103(b)(2)(B)

☐ ***Beginning the third Tuesday in March (03/21/06) and ending fourteen days thereafter at noon.***

04/04/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for party candidates for state and district offices and nonpartisan judicial candidates paying filing fees to file political practice pledges with the Secretary of State and for county, municipal and township offices to file with the county clerk. §7-6-102(a)(1)

☐ ***Pledge must be filed not later than 12:00 noon 14 days after third Tuesday in March prior to preferential primary election.***

04/05/06 Deadline for State Board of Election Commissioners (for state offices) or county board of election commissioners (for county township, school and municipal offices) to review candidate names and titles on political practice pledges. §7-7-305(c)(2)

☐ ***One business day after filing deadline.***

04/09/06* Deadline for Secretary of State to notify party candidates for state/district offices and county clerks to notify county, township and municipal candidates, of failure to file a signed political practice pledge. Notice shall include a copy of the form and is to be sent by certified mail.

§7-6-102(e)(2)(A)

☐ ***Within 5 days from which pledge is required to be filed.***

04/13/06 Deadline for the state committee of the political party to certify a full list of candidates who have qualified and are to be voted on in respective counties to the county committees and county boards of election commissioners. §7-7-203(d)

☐ ***Forty (40) days prior to preferential primary (05/23/06).***

04/13/06 Secretary of State must notify the county board of election commissions of the nonpartisan judicial candidates to be voted on in the respective counties and County Clerks must notify the county board of election commissioners of the nonpartisan judicial District Judges to be voted on in the nonpartisan judicial general election. (not covered by statute) (The names of candidates for nonpartisan judicial offices shall be included on the ballots of the political parties and shall be designated as nonpartisan judicial candidates. However, separate ballots containing only the names of nonpartisan judicial candidates shall be prepared and shall be made available to voters requesting said ballots. §7-10-102(b)(2))

☐ ***At least forty (40) days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

04/14/06 Deadline for County Clerks to begin to make available upon request applications for absentee ballots for the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-405(a)(1)

☐ ***At least sixty (60) days before general primary (runoff) election (06/13/06).***

04/18/06 Deadline for county clerk to notify each candidate (including write-ins and unopposed candidates) of filing deadlines for 10-day pre-election report and final report and to furnish appropriate forms and instructions. §7-6-208(b)(3)

☐ ***14 days after filing deadline for office (04/04/06).***

04/18/06 Deadline for candidates to draw for ballot positions for the preferential primary election and for the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-7-305(b); 7-5-208(g)(4)

☐ ***Thirty-five (35) days before preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06).***

04/23/06* Deadline for county election commission to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ ***30 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

04/23/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY AND THE NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL ELECTION. §7-5-201(a)

☐ ***30 calendar days prior to preferential primary election on 05/23/06.***

04/28/06 First day to demonstrate voting machines for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ ***Not more than 25 days nor less than 10 days before preferential primary election.***

04/28/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to county clerks for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-407(a)

☐ ***25 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

MAY 2006

05/01/06 Deadline for independent candidates to file for office and to file political practice pledge for state, district, county and township offices. §7-6-102(a)(2), §7-7-103(b)

☐ ***Same day - petitions for nomination are to be filed (03/02/06) through May 1.***

05/03/06 Deadline for county clerk to publish the additional hours for early voting with the location of additional early voting polling sites in a newspaper. §7-5-418(b)(1)(C); §7-5-418(b)(5)

☐ ***5 days before start of early voting for preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election (5/08/06).***

05/03/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials §7-4-107(b)

☐ ***20 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06).***

05/03/06 County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, hours of voting on election day, polling sites, candidates and offices to be elected in preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election and time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing, and counting of absentee ballots. §7-5-202(a)

☐ ***20 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election (5/23/06).***

05/04/06 Deadline for party candidates to file statements of financial interest unless a statement was filed as an incumbent office holder by January 31, 2006. §21-8-701(c)

☐ ***Within thirty days after deadline to file for office (04/04/06).***

05/07/06* First day for Secretary of State to publish proposed constitutional amendments submitted by the General Assembly. §7-9-113(b)(2)

☐ ***Six months before general election (11/07/06).***

05/08/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of appointees as judges, clerks and sheriffs of elections. (For election on 05/23/06) §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ ***15 days prior to preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/08/06 Deadline for county clerks to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites. §7-5-101(d)(2).

☐ ***At least 15 days before preferential primary & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/08/06 Early voting begins for preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-418(a)(1)(A) **Early voting shall not be available on state holidays. 7-5-418(a)(1)(B)**

☐ ***Begins 15 days before an election and ends at 5 p.m. on the Monday before election day.***

05/08/06 First day for designated bearer to pick up absentee ballot (2 maximum) for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-409(h)

☐ ***15 days prior to a preferential primary or general election.***

05/13/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to demonstrate voting machines for the preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ ***Not less than 10 days prior to election nor more than 25 days.***

05/14/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the General Primary (runoff) Election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ ***30 days before general primary (runoff) election (06/13/06).***

05/14/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION (RUNOFF). Amendment 51 section 9, §7-5-201 and AG Opinion 96-018.

☐ ***30 days prior to general primary (runoff) election (06/13/06).***

05/16/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-403(a)(2); (b)(1).

☐ ***7 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/18/06 Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the preferential primary election and the nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-202(b)

☐ ***5 days before preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/22/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive in person or by designated bearer applications for absentee ballots for the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-403(a)(2)(i)(iii)

☐ ***Closing time 1 day before preferential primary & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/22/06 Deadline for the voter (except for overseas voters) to personally deliver absentee ballot to the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ ***Closing time 1 day before preferential primary & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ ***1 day before preferential primary & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/22/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418

☐ ***5:00 p.m. on Monday before election.***

05/23/06

PREFERENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL GENERAL ELECTION

Polls are open from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. §7-7-203(b), §7-5-304.

☐ ***Tuesday three weeks prior to general primary.***

05/23/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for delivery of application for an absentee ballot by an authorized agent of voter in a hospital or nursing home. §7-5-403(a)(2)(A)(iv)(a)

☐ ***1:30 p.m. on day of preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election.***

05/23/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots (excluding overseas ballots) by mail, the designated bearer, administrator or authorized agent of the voter for preferential primary or nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-411(a)

☐ **Not later than 7:30 p.m. on election day.**

05/23/06 Election sheriff shall post “Vote Here” sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. 7-4-107(b)

☐ **Preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election day.**

05/23/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballot to the county clerk. [Must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 pm ten (10) days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ **Preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election day.**

05/23/06 Deadline for active duty uniformed services personnel to execute absentee ballot. [Must be received by county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ **Preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election day.**

05/23/06 County Board of Election Commissioners shall post at each polling site the public notice of election, sample ballot, instructions on voting and voters’ rights, and information on fraud and misrepresentation laws. §7-5-202(c)

☐ **Day of election.**

05/23/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-317(b)

☐ **Immediately after polls close.**

05/23/06 County Board of Election Commissioners shall declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to the Secretary of State by the Internet website interface provided by the Secretary of State. §7-5-701(a)(2)(A)

☐ **Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.**

05/24/06 Deadline for the county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials for general primary (Runoff) election §7-4-107(b)(1)(A)

☐ **20 days before general primary (Runoff) election (06/13/06).**

05/24/06 Deadline for county clerk to publish in a newspaper the additional early voting polling sites and hours for early voting. §7-5-418(b)(1)(C); §7-5-418(b)(5)

☐ **5 days before start of early voting (5/29/06) for general primary (runoff) election.**

05/25/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for county board of election commissioners to meet to canvass returns and certify the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election results if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. (Meeting held at 5:00 p.m. unless otherwise specified.) §7-7-203(g)(1); §7-5-701

☐ **48 hours after preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election.**

05/29/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of appointees as judges, clerks and sheriffs of general primary election (runoff) on 06/13/06. §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ **15 days prior to general primary election.**

05/29/06* Early voting begins for general primary election (runoff). §7-5-418(a)(1)

☐ **Begins 15 days before an election and ends at 5:00 p.m. on the Monday before election day.**

05/29/06* Deadline for county clerks to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites or general primary election. §7-5-101(d)(2)

☐ **At least 15 days before general primary (runoff) election.**

05/31/06 Deadline for independent candidates (except municipal) to file statements of financial interest unless a statement was filed as an incumbent office holder by 01/31/06. §21-8-701(c)

☐ **30 days after deadline for independent candidates to file for office (5/01/06).**

JUNE 2006

06/01/06 Deadline for county clerks to certify total number of registered voters to Secretary of State. Amendment 51, §14.

☐ **First day of June of each year.**

06/02/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel serving in active duty and from voters outside the United States for preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-411(a)(1)(A)

☐ **5:00 p.m. ten (10) calendar days after date of preferential primary election & nonpartisan judicial general election (05/23/06).**

06/02/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify the preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-7-203(g)

☐ **10 days after preferential primary and nonpartisan judicial general election (meeting to be at 5:00 unless otherwise specified).**

06/02/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the preferential primary election and nonpartisan judicial general election. §7-5-707(a)(6) as amended by Act 67 Sec. 14 of 2005

☐ **After any election depending on certification date.**

06/03/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to the county clerk for the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-407(b)

☐ **10 days prior to general primary (runoff) election.**

06/03/06* County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of election, hours of voting on election day, polling sites, candidates and offices to be elected in general primary. §7-5-202(a)

☐ **At least 10 days before general primary election (runoff) election.**

06/06/06 Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for general primary (runoff) election §7-5-403(a)(2)(b)(1)

☐ **7 days before general primary (runoff) election.**

06/06/06 First day for designated bearer to pick up absentee ballots (2 maximum) for the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-409(h)

☐ **7 days before general primary (runoff) election.**

06/08/06 Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site (optional) and publishing in newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the general primary election (runoff). §7-5-202(b)

☐ **5 days before general primary election (runoff) on 06/13/06.**

06/10/06* Deadline for colleges to request voter registration applications from Secretary of State. US Code Title 20 Section 1094(a)(23)

☐ **120 days before registration deadline for general election (10/08/06).**

06/12/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls for the general primary election (runoff). §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day before general primary election (runoff) election.**

06/12/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive in person or by designated bearer applications for absentee ballots for the general primary election (runoff). §7-5-403(a)(2)(A)

☐ **Closing time one day before general primary (runoff) election.**

06/12/06 Deadline for the voter (except overseas voters) to personally deliver an absentee ballot to the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ **1 day before general primary election (runoff) on 06/13/06.**

06/12/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. 7-5-418(a)(1)

☐ **5:00 p.m. on Monday before election.**

06/13/06

GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION (RUNOFF)

Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30p.m. §7-7-203(a); §7-5-304

☐ **Second Tuesday in June.**

06/13/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballots to county clerk [must be received by the county clerk by 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election]. §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ **General Primary (Runoff) Election Day.**

06/13/06 Deadline for active duty uniformed services personnel to execute absentee ballot. [Must be received by county clerk by 5:00 p.m. 10 days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ **General Primary (Runoff) Election Day.**

06/13/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for delivery of application for an absentee ballot by an authorized agent of the voter in a hospital or nursing home for the general primary election (runoff).

§7-5-403(a)(2)(A)(iv)(a)

☐ **1:30 p.m. on day of general primary (runoff) election.**

06/13/06 Election sheriff shall post “Vote Here” sign near each main driveway entrance to polling site. §7-4-107(b)

☐ **On the day of general primary (runoff) election.**

06/13/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for county clerk to receive absentee ballots by mail, the designated bearer, administrator, or the authorized agent of the absentee voter for general primary election (runoff) (excludes overseas ballots). §7-5-411(a)

☐ **7:30 p.m. on day of general primary (runoff) election.**

06/13/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners for the general primary (Runoff) election. §7-5-317(b)

☐ **Immediately after polls close.**

06/13/06 County Board of Election Commissioners to declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the primary runoff election, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to SOS electronically. §7-5-701(a)(2)

☐ **Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.**

06/15/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for the county board of election commissioners to meet to canvass returns and certify the general primary election (Runoff) if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. (Meeting held at 5:00 p.m. unless otherwise specified)

§7-7-203(g)(1), §7-5-701(a)

☐ **48 hours after general primary (runoff).**

06/19/06 Date of county convention of the political parties holding a primary election §7-7-203(h)

☐ **First Monday following date of runoff on 06/13/06.**

06/23/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel serving in active duty and from qualified electors outside the United States for the general primary election (runoff). §7-5-411(a)(1)(A)

☐ **No later than 5:00 p.m. 10 calendar days after date of general primary (runoff) election on 06/13/06.**

06/23/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the general primary (runoff) election. §7-5-707(a)(6); Act 67 Sect. 14 of 2005

☐ **After any election depending on certification date.**

06/23/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to meet and canvass returns and certify results if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-7-203(g)

☐ **10 days after general primary election (runoff) on 06/13/06.**

JULY 2006

07/07/06 Deadline to file petitions with the Secretary of State to place an initiated measure on the General Election ballot. Arkansas Constitution, Amendment #7

☐ ***Four months before general election.***

07/20/06 Filing period begins for independent candidates for municipal offices with mayor council form of government to file petitions of nomination and political practice pledges with the county clerk. (Does not apply to district judges.) §14-42-206(b)(1); §7-6-102(a)(3)

☐ ***110 days prior to municipal general election (11/07/06).***

AUGUST 2006

08/09/06 Deadline for write-in candidates to file their notice of intent to become a candidate and file their political practice pledge. §7-5-205(a)(1)

☐ ***90 days before general election (11/07/06).***

08/09/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for independent candidates for municipal offices, with mayor council form of government, to file political practice pledges and nomination petitions. [County clerk must verify within 10 days of filing.] §14-42-206(b)(1); §7-6-102(a)(3)

☐ ***90 days before general election (11/07/06).***

08/09/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to provide county clerks with federal regulations concerning voting by overseas citizens and uniformed service personnel. §7-5-406(b)(2)

☐ ***90 days before general election (11/07/06).***

08/09/06 Deadline for candidate or his agent to notify in writing the county board of election commissioners, and either Secretary of State, if a state or district candidate or a county clerk if a candidate for county or township office, of his intention to be a **write-in candidate**. §7-5-205(a)(1)

08/09/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to provide voter registration applications to colleges that request them. US Code Title20 Section 1094(a)(23)

☐ ***60 days before voter registration deadline (10/08/06) for general election.***

08/11/06 12:00 Noon – Deadline for candidates for mayor or director in cities with city administrator form of government to file petition and statement of candidacy with city clerk. §14-48-109(a)(3) and (4).

☐ ***Noon - 60 days prior to municipal primary election on 10/10/06.***

8/14/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to notify write-in candidates for state and district offices, and for county clerks to notify write-in and independent candidates for county, municipal and township offices by certified mail, which requires a return receipt signed by the candidates, of failure to file signed political practice pledges. Notice shall include a copy of the political practice pledge. §7-6-102(e)(2)(A)

☐ ***Within 5 days from filing deadline.***

08/19/06* Filing period begins for candidates for director in cities with city manager form of government to file petitions and political practice pledges with county clerk. §14-47-110(a)(2)
☐ **80 days prior to general election (11/07/06).**

08/29/06 The Secretary of State shall notify by registered mail the chairman and secretary of the state committee of the respective political parties that a certificate of nomination is due for all nominated candidates for United States, state, and district offices in order that the candidate's name be placed on the ballot of the general election. §7-7-203 (j)(1)
☐ **70 days prior to general election (11/07/06).**

SEPTEMBER 2006

09/05/06 Deadline for city clerk or recorder in cities with city administrator form of government to certify name of candidate and election proclamation to county board of election commissioners (unless petition fails to meet required standards). §14-48-109(a)(6)(B)
☐ **35 days before municipal primary election (10/10/06).**

09/08/06 Deadline for county clerk to notify by registered mail the county committee of each political party that a certified list of county, township and municipal nominees shall be filed with the county board of election commissioners and the county clerk. §7-7-203(j)(2)
☐ **60 days prior to general election.**

09/08/06 Deadline for the majority party county chairman to submit a certified list of five nominees for third member of CBEC to the state board of election commissioners. §7-4-102(b)(2)(C)
☐ **Subsequent to primary election but at least 60 calendar days before general election (11/07/06).**

09/08/06 Deadline for county clerks to begin to make available upon request applications for absentee ballots for the General Election (11/07/06). §7-5-405(a)(1)
☐ **At least 60 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.**

09/08/06 Deadline for candidates for federal, state and district offices to file their certificates of nomination with the Secretary of State. §7-7-203(j)(1)(B)(i)
☐ **60 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.**

09/08/06 12:00 Noon - Deadline for candidates for director in cities with city manager form of government to file petitions and political practice pledges with city clerk by 12:00 noon §14-47-110(a)(2)
☐ **Not more than 80 (8/19/06) nor less than 60 (09/08/06) days before the election by noon.**

09/08/06 Deadline for municipal independent and state and district write-in candidates to file statements of financial interest unless a statement was filed as an incumbent office holder by January 31, 2006. §21-8-701(c).
☐ **Within 30 days after deadline for filing for office (8/09/06)**

09/12/06 First day for the Secretary of State to publish ballot measures (other than referred constitutional amendments) certified for the general election ballot. §7-9-113(b)(2)

☐ ***Publication should start 8 weeks prior to general election (11/07/06)***

09/18/06 Deadline for the state board of election commissioners to appoint new third members for the county election commissions. §7-4-102(b)(2)(D)

☐ ***50 calendar days before general election (11/07/06)***

09/18/06 Deadline for the Secretary of State to certify to the county election commission a full list of all candidates and ballot issues to be voted on in the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-203; §7-5-204

☐ ***Not less than 50 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

09/18/06 Deadline for County Clerks to certify nominations to county board. §7-5-203(b) as amended by Act 67 Sect. 6 of 2005

☐ ***50 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).***

09/23/06* Deadline for county committee of political party to submit list of nominees to county board of election commissioners and county clerk. §7-7-203(j)(2)

☐ ***45 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).***

09/29/06 Deadline for county clerks to begin to make available upon request applications for absentee ballots for the general election Runoff. §7-5-405

☐ ***At least 60 days prior to general election runoff (11/28/06).***

OCTOBER 2006

10/03/06 Deadline for candidates to draw for ballot positions in the general election. §7-5-208(f)(4) (Ballot order for nonpartisan judicial runoff remains same as in judicial general.)

☐ ***Not less than 35 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/03/06 Deadline for city clerk or recorder in cities with city manager form of government to certify names of candidates for director, and the election proclamation (if a special election) to county board of election commissioners (unless petition fails to meet required standards). §14-47-110(a)(3)(D)

☐ ***35 days before general election***

10/08/06* Deadline for county election commission to change precinct boundaries and polling places for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-101(a)(4)(A)

☐ ***30 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

10/08/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE FOR GENERAL ELECTION AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL RUNOFF ELECTION. Amend. 51, §9; §7-5-201 and AG Op 96-018.

☐ ***Must register to vote 30 days prior to date of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).***

10/10/06 Municipal primary election (other than initial primary) for directors and mayor in cities with city administrator form of government if more than two candidates qualify.

§§14-48-109(a)(2)(B), 14-48-109(a)(8)

☐ ***4th Tuesday before municipal general election (11/07/06).***

10/13/06 First day to demonstrate voting machines for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-509(b)

☐ **25 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/13/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to county clerks for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-407

☐ **25 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/18/06 Deadline for Attorney General to send abstract of initiative measures to the Secretary of State. §7-9-114

☐ **Not less than 20 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/18/06 County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, hours of voting on election day, polling sites, candidates and offices to be elected and the time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing, and counting of absentee ballots (excluding nonpartisan judicial candidates). §7-5-202(a)

☐ **20 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).**

10/18/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to appoint election officials. §7-4-107(b)

☐ **20 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).**

10/18/06 County clerk to publish in a newspaper of general circulation additional early voting sites and early voting hours. §7-5-418(b)(1)(C); §7-5-498(b)(5)

☐ **5 days before start of early voting, which is 10/23/06, for general election.**

10/20/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to furnish ballot title and popular name of each proposed ballot measure to the State Board of Election Commissioners and to all county boards of election commissioners. §7-9-115

☐ **18 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/20/06 Deadline for Secretary of State to send certified copies of Attorney General's abstract of initiated ballot measures to each county board of election commissioners, who shall post copies at all polling sites. §7-9-114(b)

☐ **18 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/23/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of election officials for general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ **Within 15 days before general election (11/07/06).**

10/23/06 Early voting begins for general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-418(a)(1)

☐ **Begins 15 days before election (11/07/06) and ends at 5 p.m. on Monday before election.**

10/23/06 Deadline for county clerk to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites. §7-5-101(d)(2).

☐ **At least 15 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/23/06 First day for designated bearer to pick up absentee ballot (2 maximum) for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-409(h)

☐ **15 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/28/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to demonstrate voting machines for the general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06. §7-5-509(b)

☐ **No less than 10 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.**

10/28/06* County Board of Election Commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of date of the election, the hours of voting on election, polling sites, and the candidates and offices to be elected; and the time and location of the opening, processing, canvassing, and counting of absentee ballots at the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-202

☐ **10 days before nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

10/29/06* Deadline for County Board of Election Commissioners to change precinct boundaries and polling sites for the general election runoff. §7-5-101(a)(4).

☐ **30 days before general election runoff (county and municipal only) on 11/28/06.**

10/29/06* DEADLINE TO APPLY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF. §7-5-201, AG Op. 96-018 and Amendment 51, §9.

☐ **30 calendar days prior to general runoff election on 11/28/06.**

10/31/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-403(a)(2)

☐ **7 days before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

NOVEMBER 2006

11/02/06 Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site with time of election, polling sites and offices to be elected (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-202

☐ **No later than 5 days prior to general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election (11/07/06).**

11/06/06 Deadline for the voter (except overseas voters) to personally deliver an absentee ballot to the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ **Closing time 1 day before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/06/06 5:00 p.m. Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418(a)

☐ **5:00 p.m. on Monday before election (11/07/06).**

11/06/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/06/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots in person or by designated bearer for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-403(a)(2).

☐ ***Closing time 1 day before general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06

GENERAL ELECTION AND NONPARTISAN JUDICIAL RUNOFF ELECTION

§7-5-102 (Polls Open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.) §7-5-304

☐ ***Tuesday next after first Monday in November in every even numbered year.***

11/07/06 Election sheriff shall post "Vote Here" sign near each main driveway entrance to polling sites. §7-4-107(b).

☐ ***Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballot application to be delivered to the county clerk by an authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-403(2)(A)(iv)

☐ ***1:30 p.m. on day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballots (excluding overseas ballots) to be delivered to the county clerk by the designated bearer, administrator or the authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-411(a)

☐ ***7:30 p.m. on day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballots to county clerk [must be received by county clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election]. §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(i)

☐ ***Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 Deadline for active duty uniformed services personnel to execute absentee ballot. [Must be received by county clerk by 5:00 p.m. ten (10) days after election.] §7-5-411(a)(1)(B)(ii)

☐ ***Day of general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.***

11/07/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county election commission. §7-5-317(b)

☐ ***Immediately after polls close.***

11/07/06 County Board of Election Commissioners to declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the general election, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to SOS electronically. §7-5-701(a)(2)

☐ ***Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.***

11/08/06 Deadline for county boards of election commissioners to appoint election officials for general runoff election. §7-4-107(b)

☐ ***20 days prior to general election runoff (11/28/06).***

11/08/06 Deadline for county clerk to publish in a newspaper the locations of additional early voting sites and the hours of early voting for general runoff. §7-5-418(b)(1)(c)

☐ **5 days prior to early voting which starts on 11/13/06 for general election runoff.**

11/09/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for county board of election commissioners to declare and certify results of general election to Secretary of State if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701(a)

☐ **48 hours after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/13/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to prepare and post lists of appointees as election officials for the general election runoff. §7-4-107(b)(2)

☐ **15 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/13/06 Early voting begins for general election runoff. §7-5-418(a)

☐ **Begins 15 days prior to general election runoff and ends at 5 p.m. on Monday before election day.**

11/13/06 Deadline for county clerks to mail notice to all voters affected by changes in polling sites. §7-5-101(d)(2)

☐ **15 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/17/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel on active duty and from voters outside the United States for the general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-411(a)(1)

☐ **5 p.m. 10 days after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/18/06* Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver absentee ballots to the county clerk for the general election Runoff. §7-5-407(b)

☐ **10 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/18/06* County board of election commissioners to give public notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of the date of the election, the hours of voting on election day, polling sites for holding the elections in the county and the candidates and offices to be elected in general election runoff. §7-5-202(a)

☐ **10 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/21/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballot applications by mail or fax for general election runoff. §7-5-403(A)(ii)

☐ **7 days before general election runoff.**

11/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to canvass returns and certify results of general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701(a)(1) as amended by Act 895, Sect. 1 of 2005

☐ **No later than 15 days after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election.**

11/22/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the general election and nonpartisan judicial runoff election. §7-5-707(a)(6) as amended by Act 67 Sect. 14 of 2005

☐ **After any election depending on certification date.**

11/23/06* Deadline for posting election notice at each polling site (optional) and publishing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county (mandatory) for the general election runoff.
§7-5-202(b)

☐ **5 days prior to general election runoff.**

11/26/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver certificate of election to winning candidates for any county office. §7-5-701(a)(3)

☐ **19 days after general election.**

11/27/06 Deadline for the voter (except overseas voters) to deliver or to cast an absentee ballot in person with the county clerk. §7-5-411(a)(3)

☐ **Closing time 1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/27/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for voter to participate in early voting. §7-5-418(a)

☐ **5:00 p.m. on Monday before election day (11/28/06).**

11/27/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to designate an election official to deliver ballots to polls. §7-5-211(a)(1)

☐ **1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/27/06 Deadline for county clerks to receive applications for absentee ballots for the general election runoff in person or by designated bearer. §7-5-403(A)(iii)

☐ **Closing time 1 day prior to general election runoff.**

11/28/06

GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF

(county and municipal only)

Polls open at 7:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m. §7-5-703(c); §7-5-704(b); §7-5-106.

☐ **3 weeks after general election (11/07/06).**

11/28/06 Election sheriff shall post “Vote Here” sign near each main driveway entrance to polling sites. §7-4-107(b)

☐ **Day of general election runoff.**

11/28/06 Deadline for qualified electors outside the United States to sign, date, postmark and mail absentee ballots to county clerk [must be received by county clerk by 10 days after election]. §7-5-411

☐ **Day of general election runoff.**

11/28/06 1:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballot application to be delivered to the county clerk by an authorized agent of the voter. §7-5-403(a)

☐ **1:30 p.m. on day of general election runoff.**

11/28/06 7:30 p.m. – Deadline for absentee ballots (except overseas ballots) to be delivered to the county clerk by mail, designated bearer, administrator or authorized agent of the voter.
§7-5-411(a)

☐ **7:30 p.m. on day of general election runoff.**

11/28/06 Deadline for return of all election material from the polls to the county board of election commissioners. §7-5-317(b)

☐ ***Immediately after polls close.***

11/28/06 County Board of Election Commissioners to declare and report to the county clerk the preliminary and unofficial results of the general election runoff, including a statement of number of outstanding overseas absentee ballots. Clerk shall immediately transmit declaration to Secretary of State electronically. §7-5-701(a)(2)

☐ ***Immediately after the count of the vote is complete.***

11/30/06 7:30 p.m. – Earliest time for the county election commission to declare and certify results of the general election runoff to the Secretary of State if there are no outstanding overseas absentee ballots. §7-5-701(a)

☐ ***48 hours after general election runoff.***

DECEMBER 2006

12/08/06 5:00 p.m. – Deadline for county clerks to receive absentee ballots from uniformed service personnel on active duty and from voters outside the United States for the general election runoff. §7-5-411(a)(1)

☐ ***5 p.m. 10 days after general election runoff.***

12/13/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to canvass returns and certify results of general election runoff if there were any outstanding overseas absentee ballots. § 7-5-701(a)

☐ ***15 days after general election runoff.***

12/17/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to deliver certificates of election to winning candidates for county offices in the general election runoff. §7-5-701(a)(3)

☐ ***19 days after general election runoff.***

12/28/06 Deadline for county board of election commissioners to report to State Board of Election Commissioners the total number of under votes and over votes in the general election runoff. §7-5-707(a)(6)

☐ ***After any election depending on certification date.***

JANUARY 2007

01/06/07* Deadline for officials elected in November 7, 2006, general election and the nonpartisan judicial runoff election, and for judges elected at nonpartisan judicial general election without a runoff, to send certification of election and legal fee for commission to Secretary of State. §21-2-101, §21-6-202, §21-2-102 [NOTE: State legislators are not required to be commissioned. However, legislators wanting to receive a commission must pay the fee.]

☐ ***60 days after general election & nonpartisan judicial runoff election on 11/07/06.***

01/31/07 Deadline for incumbent office holders to file statements of financial interest for 2006. [State and district officials file with the Secretary of State; county, township and school officials file with the county clerk; municipal officials file with the city clerk or recorder.] §21-8-701(c)

☐ ***Must be filed on or before January 31 of each year.***

Arkansas Code referring to election complaints filed with the Circuit Court

§7-5-801. Right of action – Procedure.

(d) The complaint shall be verified by the affidavit of the contestant to the effect that he believes the statements to be true and shall be filed within twenty (20) days of the certification of complained of.

§7-5-807. Election illegalities – Complaint – Grand jury investigation – Indictment – Trial.

(a) If ten (10) reputable citizens of any county shall file a complaint with the circuit judge within twenty (20) days after any election alleging that illegal or fraudulent votes were cast, that fraudulent returns or certifications were made, or that the Political Practices Act was violated, the circuit judge, if in his opinion there is good ground to believe the charges to be true, shall convene a special term at once unless the regular term is in session or will convene within thirty (30) days.

(b) If the charges come in a regular term, the judge shall specially charge the grand jury as to them.

(c) Should a special term be called, it shall in all respects be as if convened by law. The circuit judge shall cause to be summoned grand and petit jurors, either on lists selected by the jury commissioners, by the sheriff, or by disinterested persons selected by him for that purpose, according to his opinion as to the best method to select unbiased jurors.

(d) Should indictments be returned, either at a special or regular term, for violating the general, primary, or special election laws, the defendants shall be given a speedy trial at the term, and the court may adjourn terms of other courts in order that they may be tried, unless for good cause shown or in the interests of justice a continuance or change of venue is granted. No change of venue shall be granted in such cases except after a hearing and a finding by the court that the defendant cannot obtain a fair and impartial trial in the district of the county where the indictment is pending.

GUIDELINES FOR ABSENTEE AND EARLY VOTING

2006

Guideline for Absentee and Early Voting

ABSENTEE VOTING:

Delivery of completed absentee ballot APPLICATIONS to the County Clerk may be done: §7-5-403(a)(2)

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|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1) In person by voter | Close of business-day BEFORE election |
| 2) By mail | 7 days before election |
| 3) By fax | 7 days before election |
| 4) By designated bearer | Close of business—day BEFORE election |
| 5) By authorized agent | 1:30 p.m. on election day |

By letter or postcard containing sufficient information by 7 days before election day.

Absentee ballot APPLICATIONS are valid for: §7-5-403

- 1) One election cycle (election and runoff): For voters who reside *within* the county (except for disabled voters and those in long-term care facilities).
- 2) One year (Unless revoked by voter): For persons who reside *outside* the county in which they are registered. (i.e. persons in long-term care or residential facilities licensed by the state, and disabled voters).
- 3) Two (2) regularly scheduled general elections for federal office: For citizens of the U.S. temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the U.S. and District of Columbia and their spouses and dependents when residing with or accompanying them.

Delivery of voted absentee BALLOTS to County Clerk may be done: §7-5-411

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| 1) By designated bearer* | By 7:30 on election day |
| 2) By mail** | Received by 7:30 p.m. on election day |
| 3) By authorized agent | By 7:30 p.m. on election day |
| 4) By Administrator | By 7:30 p.m. on election day |
| 5) By voter | By close of business--day BEFORE election day |

*(Note: Designated bearers may pick up a LIMIT OF TWO (2) ABSENTEE BALLOTS per election no earlier than 15 days before a preferential Or general election, and no earlier than 7 days before a runoff).

**(Note: Absentee ballots must be mailed separately by the voter and cannot be in batches, except by the administrative head of a hospital or nursing home. Absentee ballots from voters outside the U.S. must be signed, postmarked, and mailed no later than the day of the election, and received by the clerk by 5:00 p.m. ten (10) calendar days after the date of the election).

Arkansas Code referring to Absentee Voting

7-5-407(a): Absentee ballots shall be delivered to the county clerk not later than twenty-five (25) days before a preferential primary, general election, school election, nonpartisan judicial general election, nonpartisan judicial runoff election, or any special election.

7-5-408(b): The list and applications for absentee ballots shall be available to public inspection during regular business hours from sixty (60) days prior to the election until they are destroyed.

EARLY VOTING HOURS—Act 655 of 2005 and Act 1690 of 2005

Sets early voting beginning fifteen (15) days before a an election. Early voting for a preferential primary or a general election is between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday and ending at 5:00 p.m. on the Monday before the election.

Early voting shall not be available on state holidays.

All counties may hold off-site voting (See ACA 7-5-418)

